CLAIMS:

5   1.   A data recording/reproducing device provided with a processor for receiving data
including analog video data and additional information to control a copy of the video data and
for processing the data, characterized in that said processor comprises:
       a storage capable of storing the received video data;
       means for instructing to start storing the video data in the storage when the additional
10   information with a copy prohibiting information is received;
       means for instructing to start reproducing the video data stored in the storage before end of
said storing; and
       means for erasing the video data in the storage immediately after information of the end of
storing is received.
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       2.   A data recording/reproducing device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said
means for erasing the video data in the storage includes:
       means for erasing from the storage a reproduced portion of the video data in the storage
immediately after reproduction; and
20   means for erasing the video data in the storage when reproduction has not been started
before the end of storing or when reproducing the video data is not being performed at the
time of the end of storing.

       3.   A data recording/reproducing device provided with a processor for receiving data
25   including analog video data and additional information to control a copy of the video data and
for processing the data, characterized in that said processor comprises:
       a storage capable of storing the received video data;
       means for instructing to start storing the video data in the storage irrespective of content of
the additional information;
30   means for instructing to start reproducing the video data stored in the storage before end of
said storing; and
       means for erasing the video data in the storage immediately after information of the end of
storing is received when the additional information has copy prohibiting information.

4.   A data recording/reproducing device as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that said means for erasing the video data in the storage includes:

means for erasing from the storage a reproduced portion of the video data in the storage immediately after reproduction when the additional information has the copy prohibiting information; and

means for erasing the video data in the storage when reproduction has not been started before the end of storing or when reproducing the video data is not being performed at the time of the end of storing, if the additional information has the copy prohibiting information.

5.   A data processing method including a processing step of processing input data including analog video data and additional information to control a copy of the video data, characterized in that said processing step includes:

a step of instructing to start storing the video data in a storage capable of storing the input video data when additional information with copy prohibiting information is inputted; and

a step of instructing to start reproducing the video data stored in the storage before end of said storing and then erasing from the storage a reproduced portion of the video data immediately after reproduction, or a step of erasing the video data in the storage when reproduction has not been started before the end of storing or when reproducing the video data is not being performed at the time of the end of storing.

6.   A data processing method including a processing step of processing input data including analog video data and additional information to control a copy of the video data, characterized in that said processing step includes:

a step of instructing to start storing the video data in a storage capable of storing the input video data irrespective of content of the additional information; and

a step of instructing to start reproducing the video data stored in the storage before end of said storing and then, when the additional information has the copy prohibiting information, erasing from the storage a reproduced portion of the video data immediately after reproduction, or a step of erasing the video data in the storage when reproduction has not been started before the end of storing or when reproducing the video data is not being performed at the time of the end of storing, if the additional information has the copy prohibiting information.

7.   A program operable on a computer for processing data including additional information to control a copy of analog video data, characterized in that said program comprises the functions for:

instructing to start storing the video data when the additional information with copy
5   prohibiting information is inputted;

instructing to start reproducing the stored video data before end of said storing; and

erasing the stored video data immediately after information of the end of storing is inputted.

10   8.   A program operable on a computer for processing data including additional information to control a copy of analog video data, characterized in that said program comprises functions for:

instructing to start storing the video data irrespective of content of the additional information;

15   instructing to start reproducing the stored video data before end of said storing; and

erasing the stored video data immediately after information of the end of storing is inputted when the additional information has the copy prohibiting information.